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IDEAS.

Envy of others' good poisons our own.

The mind is trained for high action by the discharge of humble duties.

How many men we meet who "might be something" and how few who are!

Man makes his condition as good as it is by always trying to make it better than it is.—WIGGLESWORTH.

TAKE NOTICE.

The notices given for opening of the fall term of Berea College have been incorrect. Fall Term opens September 16.

The story "THE TROUBLE ON THE TOROLITO" is one of thrilling interest. The opening chapter appeared in last week's CITIZEN. If you have not begun this great story, do so at once. A card to us will bring you another copy, if you have mislaid your own paper.

The entire address of Father Rogers is reprinted this week on page 6 owing to an error last week in arranging the matter in the forms. A reading or even re-reading of the article in this connection will well repay you for the time spent.

FROM THE WIDE WORLD.

The Venezuelan revolution has been ended in favor of the Government. Seven new Cardinals were created at the papal consistory in Rome Monday.

Venezuela has paid over to Germany that part of the claim due this month.

As the result of the famine in China the eating of human flesh, it is stated, is being practiced.

The Czar of Russia while recognizing the new King of Serbia demands that he punish the murderers of the former royal family.

The recent birth of the first American child on the Island of Guam, which came into the possession of the U. S. about four years ago, was fittingly celebrated.

IN OUR OWN COUNTRY.

President Roosevelt has taken personal charge of the post office investigation.

It is estimated that 28,100 outside harvest hands will be needed in Kansas this year.

One man was killed and another probably wounded in a battle between ranchmen on the Apache Indian reservation.

President Roosevelt removed Judge Daniel H. McMillan, of the Supreme Court of New Mexico, on charges of general immorality.

The one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the evacuation of Valley Forge by Washington and his troops was elaborately observed there.

The McKinley Memorial Association reports that a fund of \$500,000 has been subscribed for the monument and will invite sculptors to submit designs.

A mob of 4,000 men took a negro from the workhouse at Wilmington, Del., and burned him at the stake. The negro had assaulted and murdered a white girl.

Prof. Booker T. Washington, president of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, has been asked by Lord Grady to make a visit to South Africa and report on the racial conditions in British possessions there and methods of bettering them.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.

The contributions for the relief of Capt. B. J. Ewen have reached the \$3000 mark.

Police raided several blind tigers at Russellville, Ky., and confiscated all whisky in sight.

The Kentucky State Teachers' Association met in annual session at Lexington Tuesday.

Land owners of Western Kentucky and Tennessee in convention at Memphis adopted resolutions against the present levee system on the Mississippi.

The General Association of the Baptists of Kentucky held at Winchester adjourned Thursday. The attendance was the largest ever known, and \$50,000 were pledged for missions. The Association will meet next year at Campbellsville.

The jury in the case of Curtis Jett and Tom White at Jackson, Breathitt county, failed to reach a decision, one holding out for an acquittal while eleven were for the death penalty. A new trial will be held at Cynthiana, Harrison county.



With this number THE CITIZEN begins its fifth year of publication, or in other words THE CITIZEN is four years old to-day. These four years have been years of progress. Starting with an edition of only a few hundred copies the circulation has steadily grown until now more than 2000 copies are sent out each week. Advertisers have not been slow to recognize the value of its columns as an advertising medium, and hence the number of columns of advertising carried is now six times as great as during the first year. And just here let us say that the advertisers in THE CITIZEN are all reliable business men. You can deal with any of them with the utmost confidence that you will be treated right.

The size and appearance of THE CITIZEN have also received their share of attention. Beginning as a four page paper it was enlarged to six and then to eight pages, its present size. It has always been our aim to make THE CITIZEN attractive in appearance and especially to give our readers a good plain readable type well-printed. We pride ourselves upon the fact that we have accomplished our purpose to a large extent, and have made gradual improvement along these lines. However, we are not yet satisfied and our plans for the future include some important changes on the side of progress both in regard to type used and general artistic effect.

HONOR OF THE MOUNTAIN PEOPLE.

Article 3, Where They Came From.

There is a good deal of idle guessing as to where the mountain people came from. People ask why they settled in this territory, which is so much less productive than the Blue Grass. Some have said it was because they did not have enough enterprise to go through the mountains and reach the better land which lay beyond. Others have claimed they stayed in the mountains because they were wrong doers who had fled from justice.

We shall show in this and the following articles that there is no reason in either of these statements. The simple fact is that at the close of the Revolutionary War there was a great migration toward the West. The young men who had served in Washington's armies were looking for a chance to get land and a start in life, and from out the thirteen original colonies stretched along the Atlantic Coast these young men went westward.

We must remember that at that time no government surveys had been made and there were no good maps which would show what the general shape of the country was. Moreover railroads were unknown and canals scarcely thought of; so that the young men who went west made no account of the lines of travel except wagon roads and the river courses. It was not to be expected that men should know then that there was less prospect for a man and his children in Western Virginia than in Western New York.

So the young men went as a rule straight westward. Those who went from New England went into western New York; those who went from Virginia came to Kentucky; those who went from the Carolinas and Georgia went to Tennessee and Alabama.

Moreover the first settlers found a sufficient quantity of good land in the

mountains. There were enough rich valleys to supply the needs of the first generations of settlers, and in those early times the abundance of game was something which gave an attraction to certain regions. Wherever game was abundant there was a good place for a man to establish his settlement. His family could live on venison until he had cleared a corn patch.

So the fact is that the people who settled the vast mountain regions of the South were the same kind of people who settled various portions of the West. There is no evidence that they were in any way inferior, either in character, reputation, or enterprise. They did indeed settle in a region which was less promising in the later times when railroads and other means of communication helped other parts of the country to make progress. But they are not to be blamed in any way for having made this choice of territory. And considering the vast forest and mineral wealth of their section, it is to be hoped and believed and expected that their children will yet, with a proper educational start and guidance, do as well as the citizens of any part of our country. They simply need to take account of the fact that the mountain conditions are peculiar, and we shall find a way to use the advantages of the mountain region to overcome its defects.

As for the nationality of the people now living in the mountain counties of Kentucky, we may be sure that the majority of them are descended from people who lived in the rural parts of Old England. The fact that so many can repeat the old English ballads which have been handed down from mother to daughter, shows this, as well as the family names. There is besides a considerable number of people descended from the Scotch of Scotland and the north of Ireland; a few came from Pennsylvania, and have a German origin; a still smaller number belong to the French race and are descended from the French Huguenots who were driven from their country by the Catholic persecutions. The mountain people have in too many cases forgotten their ancestry, but we may be sure that if they can hunt it up they will not be ashamed of it.

Its first editor, Mr. T. G. Pasco, is a graduate of Berea College, class of '97. Since severing his connection with THE CITIZEN he has been employed by a publishing house in Chicago, and as professor in the school at Cumberland Gap, Tenn. Last fall he entered the graduate school at Oberlin College in Ohio, from which he graduated at the recent Commencement. Mr. Pasco was followed by Rev. C. Rexford Raymond, graduate of the Theological Seminary of Oberlin College. Rev. Raymond was afterwards for two years professor of oratory and bible and superintendent of extension work of Berea College. He is now pastor of the Congregational church at Bellevue, O. The third editor was Rev. John Dodwell, a man of wide experience and for many years a pastor in the South. He sold THE CITIZEN in order to resume his work in the ministry, and is now engaged as pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Big Stone Gap, Va. The present editor and publisher, Mr. James M. Racer, who bought THE CITIZEN from Bro. Dodwell last January, graduated from Berea College at the recent Commencement. He desires to take this opportunity to thank those who have been subscribers to THE CITIZEN for some time for their continued support and kind appreciation. A word of thanks and appreciation is also due to the more than 200 new subscribers who have enrolled their names on our list during the last six months. In return for this support and kind reception we can only say that every effort will be put forth to continue to make the paper one worthy of such support, and we are bound to succeed.

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